COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE NOTICE OF PURCHASED GAS)	
ADJUSTMENT FILING OF WESTERN)	CASE NO. 95-010-N
KENTUCKY GAS COMPANY	Ì	

ORDER

On September 29, 1995, in Case No. 95-010, the Commission approved adjusted rates for Western Kentucky Gas Company ("Western"), with their further adjustment to be made in accordance with the monthly gas cost adjustment ("GCA") approved in the final Order in Case No. 92-558.¹

On October 2, 1996, Western filed its monthly GCA to be effective from November 1, 1996 to December 1, 1996.

After reviewing the record in this case and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that:

1. Western's notice proposed revised rates designed to pass on to its firm sales customers an expected wholesale increase in gas costs. Western's expected gas cost ("EGC") for firm sales customers is \$3.3162 per Mcf and \$2.7020 for high load factor ("HLF") firm customers.

Case No. 92-558, In the Matter of Limited Rate Change of Western Kentucky Gas Company. Order dated February 15, 1995.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- The rates in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just, and reasonable and are 1. approved effective for final meter readings on and after November 1, 1996.
- Within 30 days of the date of this Order, Western shall file with the 2. Commission its revised tariffs setting out the rates authorized in this Order.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 25th day of October, 1996.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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ATTEST:

Executive Director

Western also proposed to pass on to its interruptible customers a wholesale increase in gas costs. Western's proposed EGC for interruptible sales customers is \$2.7020 per Mcf.

2. Western has no current supplier refunds to return to its customers but has proposed a current adjustment to its refund factor to recover \$177,000 that it has over-refunded to customers from a previous refund. The current refund adjustment is (.66) cent per Mcf. Total refund factors of 7.83 cents per Mcf for firm sales customers and 2.88 cents per Mcf for interruptible customers reflect adjustments from previous months as well as the current adjustment.

Western likewise had no current refunds to return to transportation customers. Total refund adjustments of 6.8 cents for T-2 firm and 1.85 cents per Mcf for T-2 interruptible transportation customers reflect previous month adjustments.

- 3. Western's notice set out the 6-month correction factor ("CF") of (.34) cent per Mcf which will remain in effect until April 1, 1997. The CF is designed to recoup net over-collections of gas cost from the 6-month period ending June 30, 1996.
- 4. These adjustments produce gas cost adjustments of (\$.1986) per Mcf for firm sales customers, (\$.8128) per Mcf for HLF customers, and \$.0185 per Mcf for interruptible sales customers.
- 5. The rate adjustments in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just, and reasonable, in the public interest, and should be effective for final meter readings on and after November 1, 1996.

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE

COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 95-010-N DATED OCTOBER 25, 1996

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers in the area served

by Western Kentucky Gas Company. All other rates and charges not specifically

mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect under authority of this

Commission prior to the effective date of this Order.

RATES:

Applicable to: General Sales Service Rate G-1

Gas Cost Adjustment

To each bill rendered under the above-named rate schedules there shall be added

an amount equal to: (\$.1986) per Mcf of gas used during the billing period.

Applicable to: HLF General Sales Service

Gas Cost Adjustment

To each bill rendered under the above-named rate schedules there shall be added

an amount equal to: (\$.8128) per Mcf of gas used during the billing period.

Applicable to: Interruptible Sales Service Rate G-2

Gas Cost Adjustment

To each bill rendered under the above-named rate schedules there shall be added

an amount equal to: \$.0185 per Mcf of gas used during the billing period.